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U.S. Embassy Rebuilds School in Puerto Suarez

The U.S. Embassy's Military Group along with the Prefect's Office and the Mayor's Office of Puerto Suarez inaugurated on June 5 the new Angelica Rivero School, which had been partially demolished due to the deteriorated conditions of its facilities. The old facilities posed a serious risk for the students as they were in fact collapsing. The Government of the United States funded the rebuilding project cost, estimated at \$75,000.

The renovation project included the construction of three new classrooms in the school, which accommodates 700 students. This funding effort was made by the U.S. Military Group in Bolivia, which provided \$65,000 for the construction project and an additional \$10,000 for the purchase of school materials, including 120 desks, 5 computers, textbooks, and sports items. Also, each student will receive a kit of school supplies.

The inauguration ceremony was presided over by the U.S. Military Group Commander, Col. James Campbell, the Deputy Prefect of Puerto Suarez Manuel Perez, and city Mayor Romualdo Hurtado.